

BELLBOY PLEADS FOR LENIENCY

Otto Neef Admits Thefts but Begs for Another Chance at Hands of Court.

MAY BE GIVEN PAROLE

Judge Defers Passing Sentence on Lad—Walter Britton Furphies Surety.

Otto Neef, bell boy at the New Harper, who was caught with stolen articles in his possession and who was indicted by the grand jury, appeared before Judge R. W. Olmsted in the circuit court this afternoon and reiterated his plea of guilty. He begged with tears in his eyes that the court be lenient with him and give him another chance. The judge decided to defer passing sentence in the case until more could be learned of the boy. It is probable that he will be paroled to the county parole officer.

Walter Britton of Moline, indicted for malicious mischief, was brought into court this afternoon and admitted to bond in the amount of \$1,000, surety being furnished by H. C. Luchmann of this city and John Britton. The defendant is alleged to have destroyed some molds belonging to a construction company which discharged him.

William Parahell was admitted to bond in the amount of \$2,500 this morning. The indictment against him charging rape. The other men under indictment and already in jail were brought into court and notified of the indictments against them and remanded to jail until they can give bail.

DIVORCES GRANTED.

Four divorce cases were heard and decrees granted in the circuit court this morning. William H. Call of Silvis charged his wife Mary with desertion. J. B. Oakleaf appearing for the plaintiff; Edna Smith of Moline charged Clifford M. Smith with desertion, the attorney being W. E. Parsons; Clara Nolte of Rock Island charged Frank Nolte with habitual drunkenness and cruelty, her attorney being W. M. Walker; and Elizabeth Frank charged George Frank with cruelty, the attorney being G. C. Wenger.

PAVING OF SECOND AVENUE DECIDED ON

The board of local improvements this morning passed a resolution calling for the repaving of Second avenue from Seventh to Fourteenth street, and accordingly an ordinance to that end will be presented to the council. A number of objectors appeared before the board at the public hearing this morning, but their remonstrances were overruled. They expressed a preference for brick in case the job is put through, however, and their wishes were respected by the board and a change from asphalt was directed.

Personal Points

Miss Olive McMickle of Preemption, Ill., visited with friends in the city today.

Mrs. C. W. Chase and Miss Caroline Birdwell of Muscatine visited friends in the city today.

Mrs. W. M. Robb of Alask, Saskatchewan, Can., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Lambert, 928 First avenue.

Mrs. W. O. Sala and two daughters of Kansas City are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Welch, 838 Twenty-first street.

Hon. E. W. Hurst has gone to Chicago to attend the annual banquet of the Southern club tonight, on which occasion National Democratic Chair-

man William F. McCombs is to be the guest of honor.

F. R. Koras, T. Plant, S. S. Tanner, R. R. Smith, E. E. Murphy, A. R. Talbot and R. Johnson, Woodmen directors, who attended the monthly board meeting, which was held Thursday and Friday at the M. W. A. headquarters, left this morning for their respective homes.

Obituary

MISS NANCY JANE KNETSAR. Mrs. Nancy Jane Knetsar, a resident of Rock Island and Moline for 70 years, died this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hester Bronson, 820 Nineteenth street, Moline, where she had been making her home since the death of her husband, James Knetsar, in 1891 in Rock Island. Mrs. Knetsar was born at Sadierville, Ind., Jan. 22, 1836, and she came to Rock Island with her parents when only seven years old. Her marriage occurred here in 1857. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock from the home in Moline.

SIMMONS FUNERAL.

The funeral of George H. Simmons was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of his son, P. C. Simmons, 1029 Fourteenth-and-a-half street, with services, which were conducted by Rev. T. E. Newland, pastor of the First Methodist church. Interment was made in Chippianock cemetery.

FALL ON SIDEWALK

FATAL TO VETERAN

John G. Beatty, a civil war veteran and old resident of Moline, died this morning at 9:30 o'clock at his home, 1240 Twenty-seventh avenue, from injuries sustained last Monday when he slipped on the icy pavement near his home.

WIRE SPARKS.

San Francisco—United States Commissioner Francis Krull has accepted bonds totaling \$143,500 for Olaf Tveitmo, one of the labor leaders convicted at Indianapolis. Tveitmo's wife, Mrs. Ingeborg Tveitmo, scheduled \$70,000.

Minneapolis—Probate judges of Minnesota will seek to have their term of office extended from two to six years by a constitutional amendment, according to action taken by the Minnesota organization of probate judges in session here.

Memphis, Tex.—In the case of Beach B. Epting, on trial for alleged complicity in the killing of Al Boyce, Jr., by J. B. Sneed, W. T. Farwell, testified that Henry Boyce, brother of Al, sent him to Fort Worth to get Alf away from Fort Worth and Mrs. Sneed.

Portland, Ore.—John S. Clair, arrested here on suspicion of being a postoffice robber, has confessed a total of 18 robberies in Oregon and California and the murder of John Miller on a ranch at Vina, Cal.

Washington—The abandoned Russian bark Dorothea has been found by the revenue cutter Seneca drifting 450 miles east of Cape Henry, Va. This vessel, bound from Mobile to Rio Janeiro, is supposed to have been wrecked during one of the recent violent storms. Nothing is known as to the fate of the crew.

Accident Victim Improving. Joseph Johnson, the laborer who fell 35 feet from the top of the Gravity coal bin to the ground, is improving, according to advices received from the hospital today, and hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Three Suspects Taken. Three men, suspected of having stolen a watch at the Simmons and White second hand store, are being held by the police pending an investigation.

Fresh Fruits. A fine line just received at Frank Campana's, 223 Seventeenth street.—Adv.

DISTINCTION IS A VERY FINE ONE

Chairman Richmond of Supervisors Denies Conference—Thompson Claims Meeting.

Misunderstandings which are prone to occur at any time, are doing their full share to augment the strained conditions at the court house where the state's attorney and the board of supervisors are on the outs and the grand jury is conducting an investigation of alleged graft in the sheriff's office. Public men who are referred to in newspapers jealously watch the statements credited to them or said about them and where there is aught that might in any way be misconstrued they are quick to seek its correction. As an example, Chairman George H. Richmond of the board of supervisors has drawn a very fine haired distinction between a "conference" and a "conversation." Thursday evening's issue of The Argus contained the information that Mr. Richmond and the state's attorney had conferred regarding the presentation of certain evidence to the grand jury. Mr. Richmond at once took occasion to publicly through the columns of The Argus and otherwise deny having had a conference. The Argus, having no intention of being unfair to anyone or of putting Mr. Richmond in a wrong light, printed his contradiction. The Argus, however, has the word of the state's attorney that the latter and Mr. Richmond did meet several times at the court house, in the halls and outside the grand jury room and did discuss the evidence in question—that which the special committee of supervisors desired to put in the hands of special state's attorneys rather than in Mr. Thompson's hands. Further, Mr. Thompson is authority for the statement that he did advise Mr. Richmond to take the evidence direct to the grand jury, as such was the proper course of procedure.

Possibly Mr. Richmond construes the word conference as meaning one of the private back-room-get-together sessions so often resorted to, but if his contradiction includes a denial of having conferred with the state's attorney at different times relative to the submission of evidence to the grand jury, it then becomes a question of veracity between two public officials.

CARPENTERS' BOARD CONVENES TODAY

About 25 delegates representing the Mississippi Valley Carpenters' Conference board will convene in Rock Island tomorrow for a business session and banquet. The delegates will be from cities between Dubuque and Quincy. The business meeting will be held in the morning, followed by a banquet in the afternoon at the Hotel Harms.

Watertown

Mr. Lentz, father of Mrs. Charles Coleman, who has spent several weeks here, returned to Anna Wednesday evening, called there by the illness of an aged brother.

J. H. Waters of Dubuque, Iowa, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the D. Y. Allisbrow home.

Little Helen Ausbrook is quite ill with the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Mack and Mrs. Marie Allisbrow will go Monday to Chicago to visit for a few days.

Arthur Browning met with a severe accident Wednesday evening which resulted in the breaking of a finger and two bones in the back of his hand.

Mrs. O. Peterson and baby went to Fort Byron Thursday afternoon to stay several days.

Mrs. Arthur Browning entertained Friday afternoon ten ladies at the reorganization of the Larkin Soap club. A jolly afternoon was spent and each lady received a souvenir.

Tuesday being the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Nettie Browning, a few of her friends came in and spent the day. Among them was Mrs. Shay of Barstow, an aunt, and Mrs. Benjamin of Hillsdale. She received several nice gifts.

Bible study class met in Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. E. Lucas. Louise, the youngest daughter of Jesse Millett, is sick.

John Wilcoxon and family returned Thursday after a visit of four weeks at Mineral, spent with relatives.

Miss Elsie Wiley of Silvis spent Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Carl Woolgren.

Mrs. H. P. Cosner entertained the members of the Thimble club Friday at her home here.

The Baptist ladies meet next Wednesday at the church to work and also to plan for their New England dinner, which will be on Thursday, Jan. 30.

Mrs. Louis Taylor entertained out of town relatives and friends Thursday.

Mrs. S. D. Shepherd returned from Monmouth after 10 days' absence. Her nephew, Robert Doney, accompanied her for an indefinite visit.

The Methodist Aid society is to hold a bakery sale on Saturday, Jan. 25, at the D. Y. Allisbrow waiting room, corner Seventh avenue and the car line.

The Methodist Aid society will meet next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. S. P. Cosner. Mrs. W. M. Driggs and Mrs. Cosner will jointly entertain.

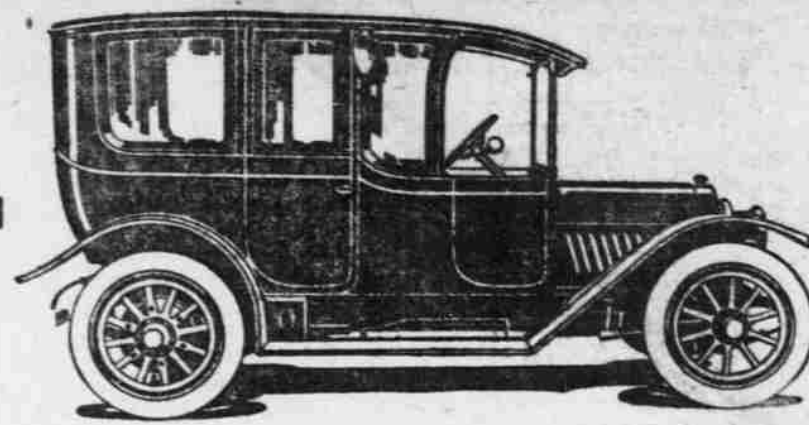
Mrs. L. H. Snow was in Moline Friday.

Edward Axelsson had the misfortune to fall from the express wagon on which he was working and break his arm at the elbow.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McNeal welcomed a son to their home on Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bowman spent

Day or Night



Day or Night

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Tuesday with Mrs. Bowman's sister at Silvis.

Mrs. Wise and Mrs. Allison were tri-city visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allisbrow were Moline shoppers Thursday.

NOISY FISHES.

The Skate Grunts, the Puffer Chuckles, and the Drumfish Booms.

Perhaps the most conspicuous example of the fishes that are capable of utterance is the drumfish, so called by reason of the deep, booming noise it produces at will. It is found along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to Florida.

The squeteague, another salt water fish of the noisy variety, resembles in appearance the trout, and the not unusual sound that it gives out is much like the note uttered by a big bullfrog. Allied to the squeteague is the fish known as "the croaker," which, as its popular name indicates, affects the croak—an unmistakable croak.

The sea robin, so called because it has crimson fins just behind its head, about the size of birds' wings, is another fish that makes itself heard. The "squawk" of the sea robin is especially emphatic when on being caught it lifts up its voice in reiterated protests.

There is a fish that may be said to chuckle—the little puffer or swellfish. It puffs itself into the shape of a perfect sphere and as it does so gives out a peculiar, hoarse chuckle.

The skate when caught grunts, groans and gasps pretty much after the manner of a human being in distress. Carp and goldfish frequently utter curious sounds, but hardly sounds in the meaning of the term here used. Inasmuch as their sounds are produced by approaching the surface of the water and blowing out air in bubbles until a rippling noise is heard.—Denver Republican.

Sparrow Diet For a Stork.

An English sparrow flew into the flying cage in the zoo and began helping itself to the cracked corn thrown upon the ground by the keeper. A Brazilian stork quietly approached and shot out its six inch red beak and caught the sparrow. Going to the fountain, the big bird dipped the little one in the water and then swallowed it and looked about for more.

"Oh, you cannibal! You ought to get a beating!" exclaimed a woman visitor.

"The sparrow ought to know better than to go in there," explained the keeper. "The stork has been eating half a dozen of these birds a week since he came here. The English sparrow has a quick eye and is quick on the wing and is seldom caught by prowling cats, but doesn't suspect anything with feathers on. The big bird is getting fat on a sparrow diet."—New York Sun.

True to His Promise.

"Dearest, will you let me share your every sorrow after we are married?" she whispered as she cuddled her cheek against his.

"Yes, darling," he replied, again picking a delicious kiss from her sweet lips.

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of trouble with you? I'm so sick of hearing about how hard you have to work to keep the bills paid."—Chicago Record-Herald.

SLASHES THROAT WITH RAZOR; DIES

Despondent over the death of his wife which occurred a week ago, Valentine Staub of Lee county, Iowa, committed suicide last evening by cutting his throat from ear to ear with a pocketknife at the home of his sister in Davenport. He died 45 minutes later at a Davenport hospital. Five little children ranging in age from 5 to 14 years were made orphans as the result of his rash act.

At High School

The preliminary debating contest which was to have been held last night at the high school has been postponed until the first of next week.

Two of Them.

His companion bent over him with pitiful earnestness and stared beseechingly into his waxen features. Again came the flutter of the eyelids, but this time his will mastered approaching death. His lips weakly struggled to execute his last commands, and the friends bent closer to hear the following whisper: "I am—gone? Yes—er—I know. Go to Milly. Tell her—er—I died with—her name on—my lips; that I—er—have loved—her—her alone—er—always. And Bessie—tell—er—tell Bessie the same thing."—London Telegraph.

The Twin Cities.

The tourist was for the first time viewing the Panamanian city of Colon and the American city of Cristobal sitting side by side at the Atlantic end of the canal.

"What is it they call the American city?" he asked.

"Cristobal."

"That is too bad," he said. "It should be Colon and Semicolon."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Weak Rejoinder.

"Our landlady was guilty of an unconscious bit of humor today."

"What was it?"

"One of the boarders asked for a punch, and she said she never served strong drinks, but she would give him some coffee."—Baltimore American.

They're All Doing It.

If you boil it down until it is good and thick you will find that 98.7 per cent of human energy is dedicated to the interesting job of people trying to get each other's money or chattels.—Houston Post.

A Bright Office Boy.

Caller—Is the boss in? Office Boy—No, sir; he's gone out. Caller—Will he be back after dinner? Office Boy—No; that's what he's gone out for.—Judge.

All one's life is music if one touches the notes aright and in tune.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is not a common, every-day cough mixture. It is a meritorious remedy for all the troublesome and dangerous complications resulting from cold in the head, throat, chest or lungs. Sold by all druggists.—(Adv.)

SHERRARD

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Danielson were given a surprise last Saturday evening. The affair was in celebration of their china wedding anniversary and they were presented with many pieces of china. There was a mock wedding, Rev. Mr. Johnson of Rock Island performing the ceremony. The ladies furnished lunch to which all did ample justice.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thompson are the parents of a baby boy, which arrived Thursday, Jan. 16.

Miss Eustis Brehmer went to Moline Saturday to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Miller Wilson and son, Ray Boyd.

Mrs. Debates of Minnesota returned Friday to the home of her daughter, Mrs. McFadyen, after two weeks' visit at Geneseo, Colona and Rock Island.

Quite a number took advantage of the sleighing last Saturday evening and went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnston, two miles west of Preemption, to celebrate their second wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Joseph Stevens was in the tri-cities Wednesday.

Miss Florence O'Mealia returned home Thursday after a five weeks' visit in Canton, Bretton, Cuba, St. David and Moline.

Miss Gertrude Johnson returned home Saturday from Dewitt, Iowa, after a week's visit with her aunt, Mrs. John Haywood.

Miss Wava Lindstrom was a tri-city shopper Wednesday.

NOTED JOCKEY SET FREE

Fuller Gets Suspended Sentence When He Promises to Reform.

New York, Jan. 18.—A promise to reform and to leave this city obtained for Grover C. Fuller, once a noted jockey, his freedom under suspended sentence when arraigned in the court of general sessions for snatching a

man's watch and chain in a Broadway cafe. He agreed to go to Chicago to join his parents, who wrote a letter asking clemency. Fuller formerly rode for the late James R. Keene and other noted turfmen, and during his career as a jockey earned a fortune which he has since dissipated.

Straus to Aid Jews.

New York, Jan. 18.—Nathan Straus sailed today for the Holy Land to establish 21 soup houses in Jerusalem, and to do whatever else he can to alleviate the suffering Jews in Palestine.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

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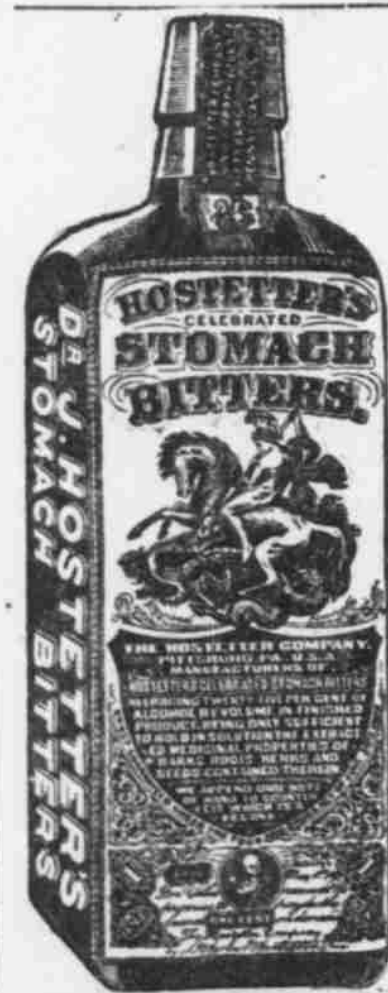
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For months The Argus readers have seen the constant expression of praise for Doan's Kidney Pills, and read about the good work they have done in this locality. What other remedy ever produced such convincing proof of merit?

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